

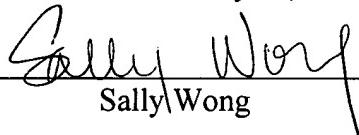
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

SIR:

Pursuant to the Duty to Disclose under 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a), applicants enclose herewith a copy of an Information Disclosure Citation listing patent documents relevant to the background of the invention described and claimed in the above-identified application. Also enclosed are copies of the listed documents.

Applicants take this opportunity to note the existence of prior filed applications on related subject matter, namely, Application No. 08/950,849 filed October 15, 1997; Application

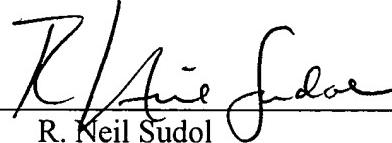
No. 09/063,113 filed April 20, 1998; and Application No. 09/253,593 filed February 22, 1999.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the enclosed references in determining the patentability of the claimed invention. Applicants also request that the Examiner return a copy of the enclosed Information Disclosure Citation with initials or other marks indicating that the references have been so considered.

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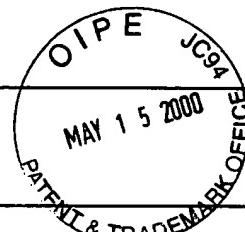
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